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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Andries VAN ES et al.

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"USE OF RECOMBINANT OR SYNTHETIC GELATIN-LIKE PROTEINS AS STABILISER IN LYOPHILIZED PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS"

Sir:

The following documents are filed herewith:

- [X] Petition for Extension of Time (3 months);
- [X] Request for Continued Examination;
- [X] Amendment;
- Document supporting Amendment: [X]Kokil, et al. (2004) "Effect of Molecular Weight.etc.".

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 080570**. The applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136 or other applicable rule to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely if a petition is required.

Respectfully submitted,

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted via the Office electronic filing system in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.6(a)(4),

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